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SUBJECT: NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS ASSOCIATION  
PATENT COMPLAINTS AGAINST HUNGARY

REF: A) STATE 160789, B) BUDAPEST 2547

1. PETERSON OF MONSANTO HAS TOLD US THAT THE NACA LETTER TO SENATOR RIBICOFF (REF A) WAS MAINLY INTENDED JUST TO PUT NACA ON THE RECORD. PETERSON SAID THAT NACA DOES NOT WANT EITHER THE CONGRESS OR THE DEPARTMENT TO RAISE THE PATENT ISSUES WITH THE HUNGARIANS WHILE DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM ARE CONTINUING. PETERSON IS CHAIRMAN OF THE NACA PATENT COMMITTEE AND WORKED ON THE LETTER TO RIBICOFF. HE SPOKE WITH USDOC OFFICER PRIOR TO SENATE APPROVAL OF TRADE AGREEMENT.

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2. DEPARTMENT SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED STAFFERS IN SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND SENATOR DANFORTH'S OFFICE, INFORMING THEM THAT WE WOULD STUDY THE CASE AND CLOSELY FOLLOW NACA'S AND MONSANTO'S DISCUSSIONS WITH THE HUNGARIANS BUT THAT WE DO NOT PLAN TO RAISE PATENT ISSUES AT THIS TIME. WE WILL CONSIDER DISCUSSING THE NACA COMPLAINTS IF NACA'S AND MONSANTO'S EFFORTS TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM FAIL AND IF WE CON-

CLUDE THEIR CASE HAS MERIT. SENATE STAFFERS INDICATED THEY  
WERE SATISFIED FOR THE TIME BEING.

3. IN VIEW OF THE CONVERSATION WITH PETERSON NO MEETING  
WITH NACA OFFICIALS IS PLANNED. MEMCON OF USDOC-PETERSON  
CONVERSATION WILL FOLLOW BY POUCH. VANCE

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